

TRINITY CHURCH OF PORTLAND

MAY 17, 2026

CALL TO WORSHIP

**Please stand as we hear the Call to Worship.*

—Psalm 71:14-24

But I will hope continually and will praise you yet more and more.

My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all the day, for their number is past my knowledge.

With the mighty deeds of the Lord GOD I will come; I will remind them of your righteousness, yours alone.

O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.

So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come.

Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens. You who have done great things, O God, who is like you?

You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again; from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again.

You will increase my greatness and comfort me again.

I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God; I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel.

My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you; my soul also, which you have redeemed.

And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all the day long, for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to do me hurt.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Brief Prayer.*

WE RESPOND IN CONFESSION

In Response To: Romans 1:16–17; Philippians 3:9; 2 Corinthians 5:7; Mark 8:38

Gracious God, we confess that we have been ashamed of your gospel, hiding your truth when the world would mock or reject us.

We have trusted in our own righteousness rather than yours, seeking to earn salvation through our works and efforts.

We have lived by sight instead of faith, doubting your power to save and transform.

Forgive us for our shame, our self-righteousness, and our unbelief.

By your Spirit, make us bold proclaimers of your gospel, living demonstrations of your righteousness revealed.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSES

Romans 1:16–17 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”

Philippians 3:9 And be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith.

2 Corinthians 5:7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.

Mark 8:38 For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

GOD GRANTS US PARDON

—2 Timothy 1:8–10

Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

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SERMON TEXT

—The 1st Chapter: Romans 1:18-25

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COVENANT RENEWAL

Christian, what do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Christian, what do you believe?

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

Christian, what do you believe?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the One, Holy, Christian and Apostolic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

BENEDICTION

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